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Stettin Harbor

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1. On 1 October 1946 the harbor was still under Soviet occupation except for 100 yards near the northernmost bridge (now destroyed) over the Oder. This 100 yards is used by the Polish ferry-boat "Piast", which travels between Stettin and Swinoujscie(Swinemünde); its mooring place is the west dock in Swinemünde Harbor. Farther north, 200 yards of river-front on the west bank is used for Polish cargo traffic.
2. The remainder of the harbor is surrounded by barbed wire fence and packed with cases of machinery, awaiting transport to the USSR. These cases are being loaded on many Soviet merchantmen, which then put to sea.

Swinemünde Harbor

3. The only Polish warship observed in the harbor in early October was the "Batory", a small former minesweeper of wooden construction.
4. The only basin in Swinemünde under Polish control is the Western Basin near the town itself. The East Dock is occupied by the fishing vessel shipyard owned by Morski Instytut Rybacki (Sea Fishing Institute).
5. The remainder of the harbor is occupied by the Soviet Fleet and several unidentified warships.
6. A German battleship of the "Deutschland" class is lying half-sunk in the west side of the Swine River near the entrance to the harbor. The upper deck is about six feet above water-level.

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